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SUBJECT: ILO CANDIDACY: COORDINATOR WOMEN'S PROGRAM

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1. WHEN USDEL GAVE MAYMI LETTER TO BLANCHARD ON FEBRUARY 25, BLANCHARD SAID HE WOULD GIVE HER CANDIDACY SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. HE NOTED SOVIETS HAD PROPOSED CANDIDATES AND HE UNDERSTOOD CANADIANS WOULD ALSO NOMINATE A CANDIDATE. HE ALSO REFERRED TO CHART SHOWING BREAKDOWN BY NATIONALITY AND GEOGRAPHIC REGION OF TOP LEVEL POSITIONS IN ILO IN ORDER TO ILLUSTRATE POINT THAT SOVIETS UNDERREPRESENTED. USDEL OUTLINE SOVIET RECORD OF OPPOSITION TO INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR, STATED OUR INTEREST IN HAVING THIS POSITION FILLED BY MEMBER OF FREE WORLD, AND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION IN ADVANCE FOR DG'S CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF MS. MAYMI'S CANDIDACY.

2. CANADIAN REP (DE MERLIS) IN DISCUSSING CANADIAN CANDIDATE TOLD BLANCHARD THURSDAY EVENING THAT GOC ALSO MOST CONCERNED THAT POST NOT BE GIVEN TO EASTERN EUROPEAN. BLANCHARD SAID HE WOULD NOT MAKE DECISION SOON.

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3. FROM ABOVE, USDEL FEELS BLANCHARD ACTIVLY CONSIDERING
FREE WORLD CANDIDATES INCLUDING MS. MAYMI.

4. DURING USDEL CONSULATATION WITH CANADIAN DEL ON FEBRUARY 28
IT WAS AGREED THAT BOTH AGAIN TALK TO DG BLANCHARD AND
(A) REITERATE OUR RESPECTIVE CONCERNS OVER APPOINTMENT SOVIET
CANDIDATE TO WOMEN'S POST; (B) EXPRESS VIEW THAT AMONG WESTERN
ORIENTED CANDIDATES, QUALIFICATIONS OF SOME SOUND TO BE SUPERIOR
TO SOVIET CANDIDATES; AND (C) URGE HIM TO APPOINT WESTERN-
OREINTED CANDIDATE HE CONSIDERS TO BEST QUALIFIED. DALE

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